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In re Application of:

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For: COMPOSITION FOR THE THERAPY OF DIABETES MELLITUS AND ADIPOSITY

SUPPLEMENTAL PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner of Patents
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

Prior to examination on the merits, please amend the above-identified patent application as follows.

IN THE CLAIMS

Please cancel claims 1-37 without prejudice or disclaimer and add the following new claims.

38. A compound of the general formula



wherein R = H or an organic compound having from 1-10 carbon atoms.

39. The compound according to claim 38, wherein R is a carboxylic acid moiety.

40. The compound according to claim 39, wherein R is formyl-, acetyl-, propionyl-, isopropionyl-, methyl-, ethyl-, propyl-, isopropyl-, n-butyl-, sec-butyl-, tert-butyl-.

41. The compound according to claim 38, wherein the lysine amino acid in position 26 and/or 34 is substituted by a neutral amino acid, arginine or a D form of lysine or arginine.